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A Fairytale For You
Moonlight Dancers

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OK-AY.
LET ME TELL YOU THE BEST FAIRYTALE EVER.
THIS IS THE MIDDLE EAST
MANY TRIBES SEEK TO CONQUER AND RULE OVER THIS TERRITORY
READY TO GO!
BEFORE YOUR VERY EYES, THIS LAUGHING GIRL STANDING UNDER THE MOONLIGHT IS A PROFESSIONAL THIEF.

Chapter 1

INTRUDERS!
STOP RUNNING!
WE WILL DEFINITELY CATCH ANYONE WHO IS SUSPECTED OF INTRUDING THE PALACE!
HE RAN TOWARD THE EASTERN TOWER!
HURRY!
HURRY!

SWOOSH
Top

たんっ
Pain!
ANY IS THERE A PERSON
ON THE ROOF
YOU HAVE RETURNED!
SHE'S... YOU MUST BE EXHAUSTED!
KALIM.

ぽっ
SWOOSH
DARN IT,
I WAS EXPOSED
MY SISTERS WILL DEFINITELY REPRIMAND ME WITH THE MOST VILE WORDS AGAIN.
YOU LET THE SOLDIERS SEE YOUR FACE?
SO— SORRY
WHAT THE HELL WERE YOU DOING!

I MADE SURE TO TELL YOU TO NOT SCOUT WHEN THERE'S A FULL MOON!
Oldest: Amia
WE WILL PERFORM IN THE PALACE TOMORROW ANYWAY. THERE IS NO NEED TO RUSH INTO ACTIONS LIKE THAT.
Second oldest: Mila
TO TRUST SHEBA WITH SCOUTING IS A MISTAKE BY ITSELF.
Third oldest: Kayla
BUT... BUT THE MOONLIGHT DIDN'T SHINE ON MY FACE, SO I THINK IT SHOULD BE FINE—
YOU THINK?
Youngest: Sheba

Yaaa-!
Waaaa!
IN THIS COUNTRY, ANY THIEF CAPTURED WILL BE EXECUTED IMMEDIATELY. IT'S EXECUTION!
THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT JOB WE HAVE EVER HAD! BECAUSE OUR CURRENT TARGET IS THE GOLD AND SILVER IN THE ROYAL PALACE ITSELF!
ARE YOU CONFUSED ABOUT THE POSITION WE ARE IN?
WHAT DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD DO, GRANNY?
NOW THE SECURITY WILL BE TIGHTENED.
THERE IS NOTHING TO BE WORRIED ABOUT.
KALIM ~~~
THERE IS NO NEED TO BE SO VIOLENT
BESIDES YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN SO RECKLESS AND CARELESS..
Only you are on my side.
Bam Bam
THOSE ARE THE LEGENDARY TREASURES SLEEPING WITHIN THE PALACE
IF WE BECOME SCARED BECAUSE OF THIS TRIVIAL MATTER, WOULDN'T THAT BRING SHAME UPON THE REPUTATION OF OUR THIEF ORGANIZATION, "ROSES OF THE DESERT"?

THE THIEF ORGANIZATION "ROSES OF THE DESERT" —
IS OUR SECRET IDENTITY.
Sigh~ How unsettling
OKAY!
AND STEAL ALL THE GOLD AND SILVER WE CAN FIND!
WE WILL CARRY OUT OUR PLAN A MONTH LATER!
LADY WAYSHU'S STREET PERFORMERS?
EXACTLY! I HEARD THAT HER TOP FOUR DANCERS ARE CELESTIAL BEAUTIES
IN ANY CASE THEY WILL ONLY PERFORM FOR THE ROYALTIES AND THE ARISTOCRATS
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT AGE WE ARE IN, BEAUTIES ONLY BELONG TO KINGS AND LORDS IN THE END.

I HEARD THAT THE KING IS SITTING IN THE MIDDLE.
I CAN'T SEE HIS FACE—

—FINALLY,
ALLOW ME TO PRESENT A SONG SYMBOLIZING HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY.

Wa—
CLAP CLAP
WHAT IS IT? MY LORD
—THAT GIRL—
CLAP CLAP
Wa—
CLAP CLAP

AH, DOESN'T HE ALREADY HAVE MANY BEAUTIFUL CONCUBINES?
I WONDER WHOM DOES HIS HIGHNESS WANTS TO MEET?
MAY I ASK IF YOU ARE HAPPY?
MY LORD, YOU ARE SO SHREWD YOU MUST PERFORM IN MY HOUSE AS WELL!
I HOPE THAT YOU CAN ALSO PERFORM IN MY HOUSE!
EVEN THOUGH I HAVE HEARD THE RUMORS ABOUT YOUR SKILLS, I HAVE NEVER DREAMED OF ITS SPLENDOR!
AH, YOUR PERFORMANCES ARE FANTASTIC!
Charrah charrah
Charrah charrah
THE KING WANTS TO SEE YOU IN PRIVATE!
HIS HIGHNESS SAID, "YOUR PERFORMANCES ARE SPECTACULAR. WILL YOU STAY IN THIS COUNTRY A BIT LONGER?"
I AM THE KING'S ATTENDANT, SYED.
PLEASE GIVE OUR THANKS TO HIS HIGHNESS
MY NAME IS SHEBA.
COULD YOU COME WITH ME?
WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

IT IS THE KING'S GRAND BEDROOM AFTER ALL
IF I TAKE A LITTLE BIT OF GOLD AND SILVER, I SHOULDN'T RECEIVE ANY PUNISHMENT, RIGHT?
BUT WHY DOES HE WANT ME TO BATHE AND DRESS LIKE THIS?
THIS IS REALLY
Am I abducted?
WHO ARE YOU?
GASP
NOT ME ONLY WANTS TO SPEAK TO HER.
I WILL NOT PERMIT SHEIRA TO BE USED AS THE KING'S BEDROOM PLAYTHING.
NO!

HE'S FROM YESTERDAY...

He's the soldier from yesterday?
Is this possible? This person is the King?!
Who gave you permission to come here?
Uh... it's Lord Syed
Why was the King on the roof~
Him again!
Hey, Syed!
Hey, girl, you can leave now
That guy always uses this method to mock me
Mock-ing?
Are you here?
Syed!
Um, I'll take my leave now...
Wait!
Si-lence

ARE YOU...
THE GIRL WHO WAS SINGING?
凝視——!
Stare intensively
EXECUTE!
IN THIS COUNTRY, ANY THIEF CAPTURED WILL BE EXECUTED IMMEDIATELY
EAT!
Shiver Shiver
DRINK!
Plump!
ARE YOU REFUSING MY HOSPITALITY?
Shiver Shiver
YES... I AM.
REALLY?
THEN HAVE A SEAT!
HE DIDN'T RECOGNIZE ME?
WOOPPS, TRIES TABLE
NOT AT ALL!
HE'S JUST LIKE SISTER SONIA!
0 hour——!

WHAT IS THE SONG'S NAME?
WHICH COUNTRY DOES YOUR SONG ORIGINATE FROM?
GULP GULP
Haaa~
HURRY UP AND ANSWER!
IT'S FROM A COUNTRY IN THE NORTH... IT WAS PERFORMED TO WELCOME NEW YEAR
I DON'T KNOW THE SONG'S NAME THOUGH...
SO... IT REALLY IS FROM THE NORTH
ISN'T HE IMPATIENT?
S-SORRY!
GIRL!
CAN YOU USE ANY MAGIC?
Eh?
呼

...NO
ALL THE LORDS SAY
THAT YOU HAVE THE VOICE OF A BEWITCHING SONGSTRESS WHO SEDUCES LOST TRAVELERS IN THE DESERT.
THAT'S ONLY A LEGEND. THE BEWITCHING SONGSTRESS ACTUALLY DOESN'T EXIST.
NO!
I DON'T KNOW IF SHE IS REAL OR NOT, BUT I KNOW THAT MAGIC DOES EXIST!
I ONCE OWNED A BOX THAT PLAYED MUSIC BY ITSELF WHEN THE LID WAS OPENED.
BUT FATHER SAID THAT IT IS A TERRIBLE THING AND THREW IT AWAY...
A BOX THAT PLAYS MUSIC?
MY LORD, THAT ...

WHAT?
ISN'T THAT THE MUSIC BOX?
NO... NOT REALLY. IT IS A VERY PRECIOUS TREASURE. I HAVE NEVER SEEN IT EITHER...
ISN'T THAT A COMMON SOUVENIR IN THE WESTERN WORLD?
THAT IS ONLY A NATURAL PHENOMENON...
WHAT ABOUT THE SEVEN COLORED FABRIC HANGING IN THE SKY?
THAT'S CALLED FIREWORKS, MANUFACTURED FROM GUNPOWDER...
ISN'T THAT MAGIC?
WHAT ABOUT THE FLOWERS THAT BLOOM AND BURST IN THE SKY?

YOU CAN LEAVE NOW...
MY LORD
笑咪咪
Smiles
笑咪咪
Smiles
I THINK
THAT HIS HIGH-NESS ..
I REALLY WAS AB DUCTED
BECAUSE YOU ARE THE FIRST FEMALE WHO WAS NOT THROWN OUT OF THE ROOM DURING THE NIGHT, SO I...
HEHE!
NOOOO, I ASKED AN AWKWARD QUESTION, SORRY!
AH--!
HOW DID IT GO?

CHOKE!
IS SO ADORABLE ♡
THAT'S DISTURBING...
A ADORABLE?
YES ♡
BECAUSE HE FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT MAGIC EXISTS IN THIS WORLD
I FEEL THAT HE IS A YOUTH FULL OF GREAT DREAMS.
SO YOU TWO WERE DISCUSSING SPECTACLES OF THE WORLD THE ENTIRE NIGHT...
I THOUGHT THAT HE WAS FINALLY INTERESTED IN FEMALES~
BUT IT CAN'T BE HELPED. HE HAS NEVER SEEN THE OUTSIDE WORLD
BECAUSE HE HAS NEVER STEPPED OUTSIDE OF THIS PALACE IN HIS LIFE
EH? WHY NOT?

YOU KNOW THAT THERE ARE MANY TRIBES IN THIS COUNTRY, AND THAT EACH VIES FOR POWER AND WEALTH.
AH, YES.
IN ORDER TO CONTROL THIS COUNTRY, EACH TRIBE SENT MANY PRINCESSES INTO THE PALACE IN HOPE THAT ONE OF ITS PRINCESSES WILL BEAR THE KING'S SON.
THAT IS THE MOST EFFICIENT AND RELIABLE METHOD.
There are many hopeful concubines in the serrallo.
THE CURRENT KING'S MOTHER IS NOT NATIVE TO THIS COUNTRY
SHE COMES FROM A NORTHERN COUNTRY... AND SHE DOES NOT HAVE ANY POWERFUL FAMILY ALLIANCES.

BUT SUCH PERSON PRODUCED THE OLDEST LEGITIMATE HEIR TO THE THRONE
AS A RESULT THERE WERE ENDLESS ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS
THE PREVIOUS KING HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO CONCEAL THEM DEEP INSIDE THE PALACE FOR THEIR OWN SAFETY.
YOU ARE THE FIRST OUTSIDER WHO MET THE KING IN PRIVATE.
...that girl...
has such an incredulous voice...
So etherea! that it doesn't resemble any earthly sound.
THE SUSPICIOUS AND DISTANT KING BECAME INTERESTED IN YOU.
AND HE UNCONDITIONALLY BELIEVES IN YOUR WORDS—

FROM THE MOMENT OF BIRTH, HIS LIFE IS FILLED WITH ENEMIES
EVEN HIS BELOVED PARENTS HAVE PASSED AWAY
I SHOULD BE THE ONE ASKING THIS QUESTION
BUT WHY...
LIVING INSIDE THAT MAGNIFICENT PALACE ALL BY HIMSELF... WHAT KIND OF THOUGHTS REVOLVE AROUND HIS MIND...
THEY ARE SOLDIERS FROM THE PALACE
WHAT HAPPENED?
ぱっ
OH..!

DON'T MOVE
!
DID THEY LEAVE?
HOW ARE YOU, YOUNG MAN?
IT ONLY COSTS A COPPER COIN
WHAT IS THIS? IS THIS FOR ME?
UH-OH
I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY
I WILL PAY FOR YOU!
WHAT AN IDIOT!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, YOUR HIGHNESS?
TAKING A WALK
ALL BY YOURSELF?
DID YOU ESCAPE FROM THE PALACE?
I AM FREE TO GO WHEREVER I WANT!

SO... YOUR NAME IS SHEBA?
HAVE YOU TRAVELED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD?
BASED ON WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THIS COUNTRY?
I can't just sit back and watch. He will be in danger
SHEBA BOUGHT THEM...
I THINK THAT THIS COUNTRY IS FULL OF VITALITY
REALLY?
ISN'T IT IRONIC?
I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS COUNTRY AT ALL, BUT I AM ITS KING.
Scarf!..or

HIS HIGHNESS IS AT OUR HOUSE?
HIS...
WHY DID YOU BRING HIM TO HERE!
I THOUGHT THAT THERE WAS AN ASSASSIN AROUND US
SPEAKING OF WHICH, WHY DO YOU BEGIN YOUR BANQUET AT NOON?
DO YOU WANT TO EAT WITH US?
HE'S SO YOUNG!
SER-IOUSLY?
EHP HE IS THE KING?
WAH AH AH A
STOP KIDDING AROUND-!
YOU ARE TELLING ME THAT HE IS THE KING!
SORRY ABOUT THAT
NO, I SHOULD BE THE ONE APOLOGIZING FOR MY SUDDEN INTRUSION. PLEASE PAY NO ATTENTION TO ME AND CONTINUE YOUR BANQUET.

SCREAM
Yeeeeeaaaaa
Crack
Crack
AHAHA
WAA-HA! HA!
Ahaha!
Boom!
Boom!
NONE OF YOUR SISTERS LOOK SIMILAR TO EACH OTHER
WAAHAHA
YEEHAHA
WE ARE ALL ORPHANS PICKED UP BY GRANNY,
SO WE ARE NOT RELATED BY BLOOD
Looks into space...
BUT OUR RELATION-SHIP IS STRONGER THAN A FAMILY'S
I SEE
Why do you keep on staring at us?
Is it really so uncommon to see a drunken person?
GULP!
Whoa
SISTER!
I WAS ONLY THINKING WHAT COULD POSSIBLY MAKE YOU LAUGH SO JUBILANTLY.

I DON'T THINK THAT YOUR CONVERSATION IS VERY FUNNY,
BUT EVERYBODY KEEPS ON LAUGHING
THAT'S WHY I WAS SLIGHTLY CONFUSED...
WALKING CLOSER
APPROACHING
DRINK THIS!

Apocalypse
Gu!
AH, HE CAN REALLY DRINK!
SIS-TERS!
AFTER YOU DRINK ALL OF IT, YOU WILL FORGET ALL OF YOUR SORROWS AND PAINS. YOU CAN ALSO LAUGH LIKE US
WHY DO WE SMILE
I DON'T KNOW EITHER
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

OKAY, GET UP! TIME TO RETURN TO THE PALACE!
Slap!
Slap!
Slap!
SORRY, IT'S ALL BECAUSE MY SISTERS' DRINKING HABITS ARE TOO CHAOTIC
Even your attendant cannot bear to witness such mess.
AND HERE YOU ARE, GETTING DRUNK LIKE A LOWLY COMMONER
...
I WAS SO WORRIED!
Snore
Snore
PLEASE LET HIM REMAIN HERE TONIGHT, AND LORD SYED CAN STAY WITH ME
BUT
WE HAVE ALREADY PREPARED DINNER AND A BED FOR YOU OVER THERE.
Snore
Snore
...
THIS WAY!
THEN I WILL HAPPILY OBLIGE
BECAUSE SHE IS A BEAUTIFUL AND SEXY TERRORIST
LORD SYED
WILL BE DEVOURED BY SISTER MILA.
Hehehehe

DO YOU KNOW WHY SISTER MILA IS IN A TERRIBLE MOOD?
EH? NO I DON'T...
IT'S BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T SEEM TO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY CAPTURED THE HEART OF THAT ATTENDANT FROM LAST TIME.♡
FOR REAL?
Isn't this the third time?
I have an ominous feeling.
MAYBE...
DON'T YOU FEEL THAT THERE ARE MORE SOLDIERS THAN USUAL?
!
I knew it.
STROLLIN
CASUALLY
YOUR HIGHNESS!
DID YOU SNEAK OUT AGAIN?
OH, SHEBA!
SINCE YOU HAVE TIME, WHY DON'T YOU ACCOMPANY ME!

It's fine!
What is this? You will be caught!
FOLLOWING HIM AROUND
THIS JOB REALLY DOESN'T OFFER MUCH PERSONAL TIME, DOES IT?
REALLY
AH, THANK YOU FOR YOUR HOSPITALITY A FEW DAYS AGO.
I WAS CAPTIVATED BY YOUR BEAUTY
Using formal speech
AH~ YOU REALLY DO SPEAK WELL ♡
Such cold words!
IT'S THE FIRST TIME THAT I'VE MET A MAN WHO IS NOT ENCHANTED BY WINE
NO, NO, NO, I REALLY WAS CAPTIVATED.
HAHAHA
HAHAHA
WHAT IS THIS? THE ATMOSPHERE OVER THERE IS VERY COLD
What happened
Lookout around
The king is very impatient even I was kidnapped
WE GOT SEPARATED.

SIR!
IS THIS A MUSIC BOX?
YOU ARE SO KNOWLEDGE-ABLE. THIS WARE IS SO RARE THAT YOU WON'T SEE ANOTHER ONE AGAIN!
WOW, SO EXPEN-SIVE!
I CAN'T BUY IT UNLESS YOU LOWER THE PRICE!
NO WAY, I CAN'T DO THAT
Ah!
YOUR HIGH-NESS!
YOUR
HIGHNESS
I WANT TO BUY THIS!
PLEASE DON'T SELL IT TO ANYONE ELSE!
DO YOU HEAR ME?
DO YOU HEAR ME?
I HEARD THAT YOU ARE RATHER CLOSE WITH THE KING ARE YOU?
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN LATELY?
NO, NOT AT ALL!
AH, I AM HERE
SHEBA!

HE IS A KING
WHILE WE ARE THIEVES.
YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND YOUR POSITION WITHOUT MY EXPLICIT EXPLANATION, RIGHT?
...YOU ARE SO ANNOYING, OF COURSE I UNDERSTAND!
DON'T WORRY, SISTER!

IF YOU WANT TO FIND SHEBA, SHE'S NOT HERE.
LATELY SHE'S OUT EVERYDAY.
BUT I DON'T KNOW WHERE SHE GOES TO

AW MAN, SHE'S NOT HERE?
I just discovered some delicious Meatballs.
AND I WOULDN'T TELL YOU EVEN IF I KNOW.
Surprise
I DIDN'T THINK THAT
YOU ARE SO CLUELESS- EVEN NOW!
バチ
Tension
バチ

I HEAR MUSIC!
WHO IS SINGING?
SHE'S AT THE MARKET SQUARE
WHERE MANY PEOPLE COME TO LISTEN TO HER EVERYDAY!

Clap clap
WOW—
Clap clap
Clap clap

KLING
KLING
KLING
YOUR HIGHNESS —!
THIS MORON!
WAIT FOR ME!
Shoooo
10 MINUTES LATER
I'M SORRY, THAT'S BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW YOUR NAME
YOU EXPOSED MY IDENTITY IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY!
ARE YOU A MORON?
Shoooo
EH? THE KING IS HERE?
WHERE?
HE WOULDN'T SHOW UP HERE.

HERE!
THIS IS A PRESENT FOR YOU!
THIS MUSIC BOX'S MELODY MAY NOT MATCH THE ONE YOU HAD BEFORE, BUT IF YOU DON'T MIND THEN...
HAVE YOU...
BEEN SINGING EVERYDAY SO THAT YOU COULD BUY THIS?
AH... NOT REALLY,
ACTU-ALLY IT'S NOTHING.
MY SONGS BROUGHT JOY FOR THE TOWNSPEOPLE AS WELL.
THANK...

AH!
THANK YOU ...
EH?
YOU SMILED!
AH...! UH...
YOU JUST SMILED! THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT I'VE SEEN YOU SMILE!
...
WOW
EH?
ALEX-ANDER
-IF I KNEW HOW TO USE MAGIC,

ALEXANDER
IS MY NAME!
THEN I WOULD WISH YOU EVERLASTING HAPPINESS
YOU CAN CALL ME THAT IN PUBLIC!
I WANT TO SEE YOU SMILE MORE OFTEN...

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GREETINGS.

HELLO EVERYONE. I AM AYUMI SHINA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR "A FAIRYTALE FOR YOU: MOONLIGHT DANCERS". I HAVE NOT PUBLISHED A SINGLE-VOLUME STORY IN THE PAST THREE YEARS. AS FOR THE "A FAIRYTALE FOR YOU" SERIES, I HAVE NOT RELEASED A CHAPTER IN FIVE YEARS... WOW~ IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME ~ WHAT HAVE I BEEN DOING ALL THIS TIME? [SWEATDROP] WHY DIDN'T I FEEL THE LONG PASSAGE OF TIME?

I HAVE ALWAYS DRAWN THIS SERIES METICULOUSLY. WHETHER IT IS YOUR FIRST TIME SEEING THIS SERIES OR NOT, AS LONG AS YOU READ IT THOROUGHLY, IT WOULD BE A GREAT HONOR FOR ME. IN ORDER TO COMPENSATE FOR NOT PUBLISHING FOR A LONG, LONG, LONG TIME, THIS BOOK WAS MADE INTO 200 PAGES! SINCE MORE THAN 1/4 OF THE BOOK CONSISTS OF WORDS ALONE. THIS BOOK HAS MANY NARRATIVES IN BETWEEN DIALOGUES. PLEASE DO NOT MIND TOO MUCH. DON'T MISS THE COVER PAGE EITHER.

Chapter 2

Thousands of dark threads intertwined,
I spend this brief night with you,
Let us both plunge into night's abyss together in reunion.

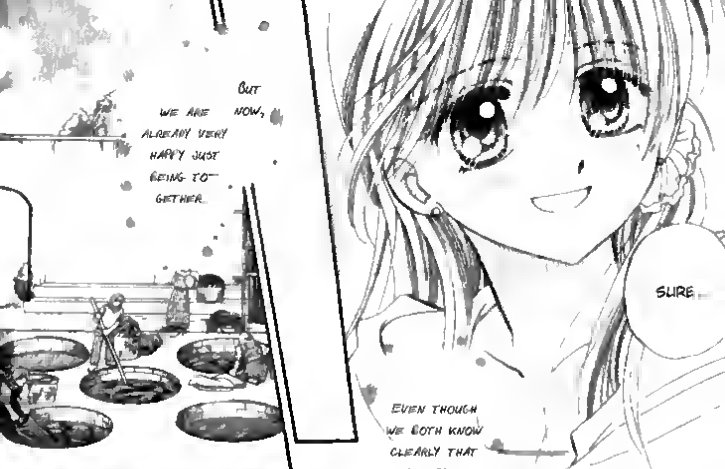
TONIGHT I WILL SING A LOVE SONG .
THIS TRAGIC SONG IS BASED ON THE LOVE STORY OF A PRINCE AND A PRINCESS WHOSE KINGDOMS ARE AT WAR WITH EACH OTHER.
FINALLY, BECAUSE THEY WERE UNABLE TO COUNTER FATE'S ARRANGEMENT, THEIR TRAGIC LOVE SHATTERS INTO DISPERSING PIECES
LEGEND SAYS THAT THIS IS A TRUE STORY FROM THE WARRING PERIOD
AH...
INDEED IT IS A MELANCHOLIC SONG

I WILL SING A SONG FROM THE SOUTHERN COUNTRY IN MY NEXT PERFORMANCE
THE SOUTHERN COUNTRY HAS MANY CHEERFUL AND PLAYFUL SONGS,
AND IT'S COSTUMES ARE ALSO VERY COLORFUL AND INTERESTING!
YUP.
DO THE PEOPLE FROM THE WESTERN COUNTRY WEAR THESE ETHEREAL DRESSES, AND THEN THE MEN AND THE WOMEN WOULD DANCE TOGETHER?
THIS COUNTRY'S PEOPLE CAN ALSO DANCE,
AND THEY HOLD HANDS LIKE THAT TOO.
REALLY?
AH,
ISN'T THIS COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE DAY COMING UP?
Everyone will perform the traditional dances!

DO YOU WANT TO TRY DANCING?
DANC-ING?
ME? DON'T SAY SUCH SILLY THINGS!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT? NO ONE WOULD SEE YOU ANYWAY
I DON'T KNOW HOW!
YOUR MAJESTY REALLY LIKES TO SULK
THE SMILE FROM JUST A MOMENT AGO WAS REALLY ADORABLE
YOU... ARE SO ANNOY-ING!
WHERE IS SHE-BA?
MILA,
EH? I DON'T KNOW...
AH, MISS SHEBA HAS BEEN SUM-MONED TO THE KING'S BED-CHAMBER...
DIDN'T YOU SAY THE SAME THING LAST TIME, AND DE-CEIVED HER?
THIS TIME IT'S FOR REAL
DON'T WORRY, SHEBA IS A YOUNG WOMAN NOW.
...

I DIDN'T EXPECT SUCH DEVELOPMENT THOUGH
DON'T YOU HAVE A YOUNG BRAT IN YOUR GARDEN?
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT KALIM?
YES, THAT'S THE ONE!
EVERY TIME HE SEES ME, HE GLARES AT ME OBVIOUSLY
THAT GUY HAS A TERRIBLE ATTITUDE!
BUT HE IS VERY GENTLE AND SWEET
Maybe you were just assuming?
HOW LONG WILL YOU STAY IN THIS COUNTRY?
I WILL LEAVE WHEN THE FULL MOON ARRIVES
REALLY?
THEN BEFORE YOU DO, TELL ME EVERYTHING YOU KNOW OF THE OTHER COUNTRIES
YOUR STORIES ARE VERY INTERESTING

THAT'S RIGHT! WHY DON'T YOU BROADEN THE EXTENT OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE BY TRAVELING ABROAD?
YOU CAN ADMIRE EXOTIC ITEMS, SAVOR FOREIGN DELICACIES, SPEAK WITH UNFAMILIAR PEOPLE
IT WILL BE VERY FUN!
HAHA
DON'T BE FOOLISH.
...I, I THINK I AM TOO.
A KING CANNOT LEAVE HIS COUNTRY FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME.
IF ONLY ...
SUCH DREAM CAN COME TRUE ONE DAY.
AND ON TOP OF THAT, IF WE CAN TRAVEL TOGETHER...


BUT WE ARE NOW, ALREADY VERY HAPPY JUST BEING TOGETHER
SURE
EVEN THOUGH WE BOTH KNOW CLEARLY THAT THAT DAY WILL NEVER ARRIVE

Star es

EH?
FLAP FLAP
BECAUSE OF YOUR PRESENCE, MY WORK-LOAD HAS INCREASED BY TEN TIMES
YUP.
IS THIS REALLY THAT IN-TRIGUING?

I finished this workload a while ago
AND WHENEVER HE HAS FREE TIME, HE TRAVELS BEYOND THE PALACE WALLS
AT NIGHT, HE NESTS INSIDE THE LIBRARY AND WORKS
IS THAT BECAUSE OF MY INFLUENCE?
Snooze~!
IT'S MORE LIKE, HE WAS VERY CULTURALLY INSPIRED AFTER HE HEARD YOUR STORIES.
So caring~
HE IS A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT PERSON NOW ORIGINALLY, HE HATED TO WORK AND TO APPROACH OTHERS
FLAP FLAP
BUT LATELY, HE SUMMONED SCHOLARS, NOBLES AND MERCHANTS INTO THE PALACE ON A DAILY BASIS
HE DOESN'T FEEL PESSIMISTIC ABOUT HIS CIRCUMSTANCES ON THE CONTRARY, HE EAGERLY CONFRONTS IT
I CAN TELL THAT HE IS TRYING TO SEARCH FOR THE REASON OF HIS EXISTENCE
PLEASE DON'T BE ANGRY WITH THE KING'S BEHAVIOR
LORD SYED,
Do you want to try it on?
May I?

Syed! Don't just stand there help me!
I don't want to
ALEX-AND-ER~
AH,
HEY!
YOUR
ITS COLOR IS SO VIVID
THAT FABRIC WILL BE TAILORED INTO A CEL-EBRATION COSTUME
ON THE INDEPENDENCE DAY, EVERYONE WILL HONOR THE KING, AND ALL THE YOUTHS AND MAIDENS WILL DANCE FOR AN ENTIRE DAY
THE KING?
TO HON-OR..
BECAUSE OUR CURRENT KING DOES NOT BELONG TO ANY TRIBE,
SO EVERYONE BELIEVES THAT HE WILL CARE FOR THIS COUNTRY WITH MORE LENIENT METHODS

AFTER ALL, HE IS VERY YOUNG,
SO WE'LL SEE WHAT HE WILL GROW INTO IN THE FUTURE
YES...
THAT'S RIGHT
YOU HAVE REALLY GAINED THE RESPECT OF YOUR PEOPLE YOUR MAJESTY ♡
AH, ARE YOU EMBARRASSED?
SHUT UP I WANT TO RETURN HOME!
WAAA!
Slips
Boom!
?!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
HA HA HA HA HA HA HA
Waha ha!
YOU ARE SO MEAN! STOP LAUGHING!
DON'T YOU ALWAYS WANT ME TO LAUGH?
Surprised
YOU DON'T HAVE TO LAUGH NOW!
I'm sorry!

Boom!
IT SEEMS THAT YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND MY THOUGHTS
NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU TRY, YOU WILL NEVER BECOME HIS CONSORT...
SIS-TERS,
CAN'T WE CANCEL OUR MIS-SION IN THIS COUNTRY...?
I... I NEVER THOUGHT OF ANY-THING LIKE THAT!
A PERSON WITH AN UNSETTLED HEART WILL ONLY BRING TROUBLE FOR HER COMRADES
I THINK THAT YOU SHOULDN'T BE A THIEF ANY MORE!

I HEARD THAT THE KING WILL SHOW HIS FACE AT THE PALACE TODAY.
LET'S GO SEE HIM!
I WILL CERTAINLY COME!
WILL YOU PERFORM A DANCE AT THE CITY PLAZA TODAY?
Thank you!
NO WONDER THAT THE KING CAN'T COME OUTSIDE TODAY.
THERE IS A HOLIDAY GOING ON, HOW LIVELY THE STREETS ARE.
You didn't have to say it so harshly
PEEKSSEE
YES
SHALL WE GO TOO?
I HAVE ALWAYS QUESTIONED WHETHER HE IS TRULY THE KING OR NOT
WHAT KIND OF EXPRESSION WILL HE HAVE ON HIS FACE?
WOW
AH!

He is a king,
while we are thieves
You should understand your position without my explicit explanation, right?
Wow
Wow
Wow
I was only pretending to understand,
but in truth, I am so confused
Wow
Wow
Wow
Wow
... He feels ... so distant from us.
Yup!

In the beginning I only wanted him to smile
As long as I can talk to him,
As long as I can see him, I feel very satisfied
But this desire keeps on growing,
SHE-BAT
NONSTOP

IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO COME DOWN FROM YOUR STAGE?
IT'S FINE!
THE MELODY CHANGED
COME ON, LET'S DANCE~!
AH CRAP! I WILL BE SCOLDED AGAIN
AH~ BUT FORGET IT!
EH?
PUTS ON
TEACH ME
TEACH ME HOW TO DANCE!

THERE IS NO FORMAL DANCING STYLE,
JUST BE CASUAL....

Shooo-o!
Ohh!!
EXCUSE ME, HAVE YOU SEEN THE KING ANYWHERE?
LOST
LORD SYED..
?
EH, WHY DO I FEEL THAT I'VE SEEN THAT PERSON SOMEWHERE BEFORE?
!!!
Surprised!
I WILL NOT HAVE ANY IN THE FUTURE EITHER
NO, I DON'T HAVE ANY FAMILY.
YOU HAVE A REALLY TOUGH LIFE. SHOULDN'T YOU CELEBRATE TODAY WITH YOUR FAMILY AT THE VERY LEAST?
MY! WHY NOT?
There are still many who want to assassinate him.
AH~ THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE OUT TODAY, WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO HIM ..
DO YOU WANT TO LOOK FOR HIM TOGETHER?
HE ESCAPED FROM ME!
I clearly remembered that I locked him in his room~!
AHHHH~

I WILL SAVE THE KING
THE KING'S ATTENDANT IS LIKE THAT.
IF THE KING AND MY WIFE ARE DROWNING AT THE SAME TIME,
FOR EXAMPLE,
Straightforward
OUCH!
WHAT A DULL LIFE YOU HAVE!
BUT IF YOU HAD MANY THINGS TO PROTECT, WOULDN'T YOU BECOME MUCH STRONGER?
YOU DECIDED TO PROTECT ONLY ONE IMPORTANT THING.

"Ah," he is referring to the assassin.
SO YOU KNOW*?
THEY WON'T IMAGINE IN THEIR WILDEST DREAMS THAT WE ARE IN THIS PLACE
Ah aha
I CAN SEE THAT INDEED!
Ha Ha Ha
Even though, she is unreliable.
FOR EXAMPLE, MY SISTER SONIA WILL CARRY OUR ENTIRE PERFORMING GROUP ASHORE!
SHEBA
?!
A THANK YOU GIFT FOR THE MUSIC BOX YOU GAVE ME
THIS IS?
THIS COLOR INDEED MATCHES YOUR FAIR SKIN AS I EXPECTED.
FOR... FOR ME?

SHEBA...?
IN FRONT OF MY WEAK EYES
I WILL TREASURE IT FOREVER...
FOR ALL ETERNITY...
IS A PERSON WHO IS SO CLOSE, YET SO FAR AWAY FROM ME.
I ALSO WON'T FORGET OUR DANCE TOGETHER.
HE IS ALSO THE ONE WHOM I CAN NEVER BE WITH

GOOD NIGHT.
SHEBA,
THERE IS A MAN LOOKING FOR YOU.
THEREFORE, HEART, YOU SHOULD STAY BEHIND....
I HEARD THAT YOU WILL LEAVE THIS COUNTRY TOMORROW....
WON'T YOU SAY FAREWELL TO THE KING FOR ONE LAST TIME?
MISS SHEBA, IS IT POSSIBLE...
FOR YOU TO STAY IN THIS COUNTRY?
!
THE KING ALSO WISHES IT.

BUT HE WON'T SAY IT TO YOU
MUMFH
MUMFH
HOWEVER, ONCE YOU BECOME THE KING'S CONSORT YOUR LIFE WILL BE IN CONSTANT DANGER
ALSO, YOUR POSITION WILL BE MORE PAINFUL THAN HIS OWN MOTHER'S
BECAUSE OF YOUR STATUS, YOU CAN NEVER BECOME THE QUEEN
HE KNOWS THAT THIS WILL HAPPEN,
SO HE DARE NOT TO CONFESS HIS FEELINGS TO YOU.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT I'VE SEEN HIM LAUGH SO FREELY
THE KING DESPEATELY NEEDS YOU

PLEASE STAY BESIDE HIM...
EVEN IF I STAY WITH HIM,
I WOULD ONLY MAKE HIS SITUATION WORSE...
MY STATUS CAN NEVER MATCH HIS...
YOUR MAJESTY.
SHEBA!
LORD SYED TOLD ME THAT YOU WOULD BE HERE...

I LOVE TO CLIMB UP HERE AND ADMIRE THE SERENE LIGHT OF THE FULL MOON.
ONCE WE HAVE ATTACKED THE PALACE, WE WON'T RETURN TO THIS COUNTRY AGAIN
WHAT'S WRONG?
WE WON'T SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN...
I AM HERE TO SAY FARE-WELL TO YOU.

WE...
WILL LEAVE THIS COUNTRY TOMORROW...
I SEE...
I WILL BE ALL ALONE THEN
NEXT TIME WHEN YOU COME, REMEMBER TO PAY ME A VISIT.
UNTIL THEN, PLEASE TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF...
WILL YOU PLEASE ALLOW ME TO STAY WITH YOU UNTIL MORNING?

*T/N. What she meant to say is to have sex with her, but the text is polite.

IF I EMBRACE YOU THEN THERE WON'T BE ANY MEMORIES
I WILL IMPRISON YOU INSIDE MY SERAGLIO, AND YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GO ANYWHERE ELSE
AND SEPARATE YOU FROM YOUR MOST BELOVED SISTERS,
SO THAT YOU CAN ONLY BELONG TO ME AND ONLY TO ME.

THAT MEANS THE REST OF YOUR LIFE WILL BELONG TO ME.
EVEN THAT IS OKAY FOR YOU?
...
... HOW WON-DERFUL WOULD EVERY-THING BE...
... IF YOU WEREN'T A KING ...

IF ONLY YOU WERE-N'T A KING —
DON'T WEEP.
AREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO IS ALWAYS TELLING ME TO SMILE?
IF I HAD NEVER MET YOU,
I PROBABLY WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO UNDER-STAND HOW IT FEELS TO LOVE SOMEONE FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE

HOW WONDERFUL EVERYTHING WOULD BE IF YOU WEREN'T A KING.
I SEEM LIKE A SULKING CHILD WHO IS GRUMBLING TO HERSELF.
ONLY THE MOON IN THE SKY
WITNESSES THE ENDING OF OUR LOVE STORY.
I AM VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE MET YOU...

MILA!
HOW FOOL-ISH
WHY DID SHE RETURN?
YEAH. BUT...
EVEN IF SHE STAYED THERE SHE WOULD ONLY BECOME A CAGED BIRD FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE!
HOW THAT CHILD COULD POSSIBLY CHOOSE SUCH LIFESTYLE.
...MISS SHEBA AND THE OTHERS
ARE PROB-ABLY LEAV-ING...
AS LONG AS SHE IS ABLE TO STAY BESIDES HER BELOVED SHE SHOULD BE HAPPY...
I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT SHE WOULDN'T COME BACK
EVEN IF A PER-SON IS LIVING IN HELL.

A VERY SENSIBLE APPEARANCE REALLY DOESN'T SUIT YOU.
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU.
WHAT'S NOT LIKE ME?
DO YOUR WORK!
SYED
DO YOU THINK THAT MY MOTHER WAS HAPPY?
SHE CAME TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY.
WAS ISOLATED BY PEOPLE AROUND HER.
AND WAS IMPRISONED IN THIS PLACE UNTIL HER DEATH
I THINK SHE WAS VERY HAPPY

SHE WAS LOVED BY THE ONE SHE LOVED,
AND RECEIVED YOU AS HER UNIQUE AND IRREPLACEABLE TREASURE.
WHETHER YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARD THIS COUNTRY IS BENEVOLENT OR MALICIOUS,
WHETHER YOUR LOVED ONES ARE FORTUNATE OR CURSED,
IT ALL DEPENDS ON HOW YOU REALIZE YOUR GOALS.
WHAT ARE YOU STILL CONFUSED ABOUT?
YOU WILL BECOME STRONGER ONCE THE THINGS YOU HAVE TO PROTECT INCREASES!
SYED

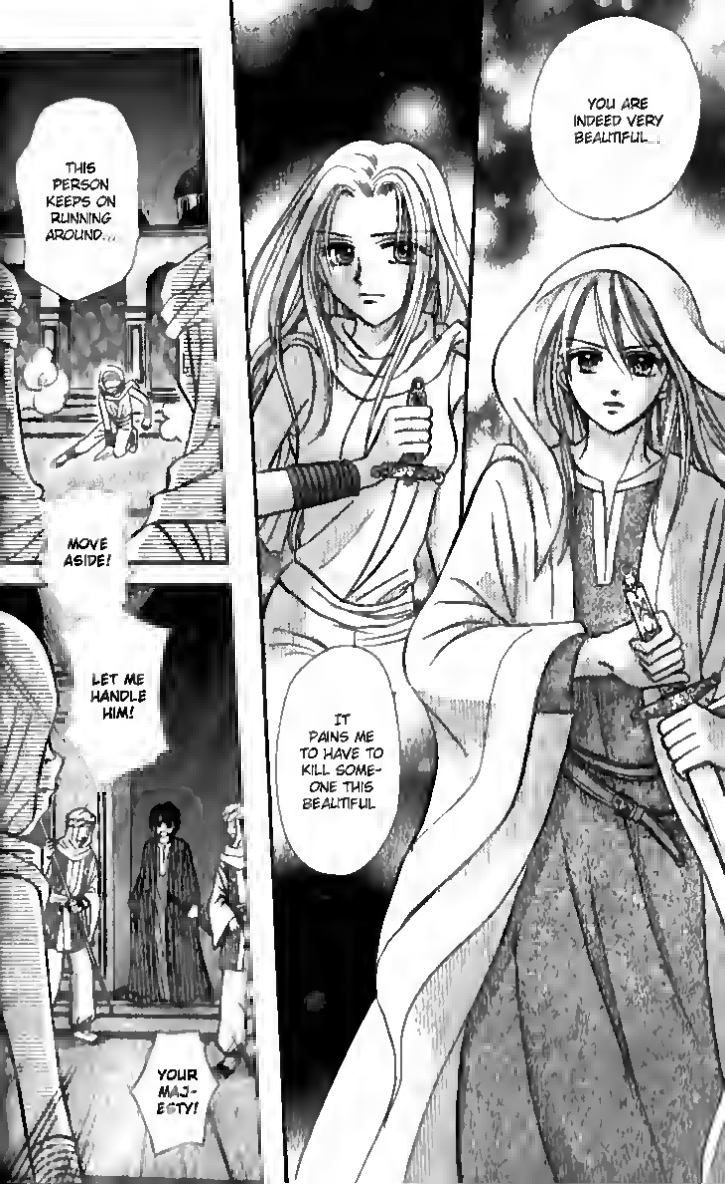
CAN YOU LET ME GO OUTSIDE FOR A WHILE?
!
CER-TAINLY NOT!
@What are you talking about?
hey!
THE SKY IS SO CLOUDY, A NIGHT WITHOUT STARS OR THE MOON...
...WHAT IS GOING ON?
WE WILL STEAL ALL THAT SILVER AND GOLD!
JUST THE FEW OF US WILL GO THIS TIME!
I TOLD YOU THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO COME WITH US.

YOU WILL STAY HERE WITH US
GRAND-MOTH-ER!
MAYBE YOU GUYS ARE WOR-RIED A-BOUT ME, BUT I AM ALREADY...
JUST LISTEN TO ME!
WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THE PRINCE AND THE PRINCESS FROM THE ENEMY STATES WERE SEPARATED?
DID THEY RETURN TO THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES AND LOVE OTHER PEOPLE?
OR DID THEY CONTINUE TO LONG FOR ONE ANOTHER...?
WHAT HAP-PENED?
WHAT IS THIS CLAMOR?
IT SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE IN-TRUDERS,
PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ROOM, YOUR MAJESTY.

EVERY-ONE SUR-ROUND ITS FOUR WALLS!
THE THIEVES' TARGET IS THE TREASURE ROOM!
THERE IS MORE THAN ONE THIEF.
SO DON'T LET ANY OF THEM ESCAPE!
WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY ARE THERE SOL-DIERS GUARING THE TREASURE ROOM AS IF IT IS A FOR-TRESS?
I WAS SO RIGHT, OUR MIS-SION IS A FAILURE
IT CAN'T BE HELPED, LET'S DO IT NEXT TIME
EH--!
SEND OUT THE SIGNAL IMMEDI-ATELY!
KALIM, YOU ARE RESPONSI-BLE FOR LURING THE SOLDIERS' ATTENTION AWAY, AND OBTAIN TIME FOR EVERYONE TO ESCAPE.
OKAY!
AHHH
WE ARE RETREAT-ING WITH-OUT ANY LOOT...
What is sister doing...
GOOD NIGHT.

WAAA!
Shooo!
SOMEONE IS RUNNING IN THAT DIRECTION! AND VERY FAST!
OVER HERE!
GATHER THE SOLDIERS HERE!
I'M SORRY THAT WE MUST HAVE OUR REUNION IN THIS FASHION,
MISS MILA
AFTER YOU LEFT THIS COUNTRY, I SENT TRACKERS TO FOLLOW YOU.
BUT ALL OF YOU SIMPLY VANISHED DURING THE TRIP WITHOUT A TRACE.
IT WAS AS IF YOU ERASED YOUR TRACKS ON PURPOSE
SUCH A METHOD OF DISAPPEARANCE WAS TOO UNNATURAL
HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT IT'S ME?

I KNOW FROM SIMPLY LOOKING AT YOUR HOUR-GLASS BODY.
WHAT AN UNEXPECTED TALENT YOU HAVE.
It's very loud.
HEHE!
BECAUSE DURING THE PER-FORMANCE,
I NOTICED ONLY YOU ON THE STAGE.
...I WISH THAT YOU TOLD ME THAT EARLIER.


THIS PERSON KEEPS ON RUNNING AROUND...
MOVE ASIDE!
LET ME HANDLE HIM!
YOUR MAJ-ESTY!
YOU ARE INDEED VERY BEAUTIFUL...
IT PAINS ME TO HAVE TO KILL SOME-ONE THIS BEAUTIFUL

I HEARD THAT SHEBA FOLLOWED US!
THIS IS BAD, SISTER SONIA!
MILA HASN'T RETURNED?
WHAT HAPPENED...

THAT IDIOT!
LET'S KILL HER!

YOUR MAJESTY?
THROW HER INTO THE PRISON.

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雪拉。

這次的「獻給你的童話」
我想走西拉風。
因此是以一千零一夜的
莎赫札德的原型
做基礎。
連名字也走阿拉伯風格。
（莎赫札德好像有
很多種譯名。）

結果卻變成中東風味
又混雜許多東西進去
雖然是一千零一夜的
原型有點差距，
不過就這樣吧。

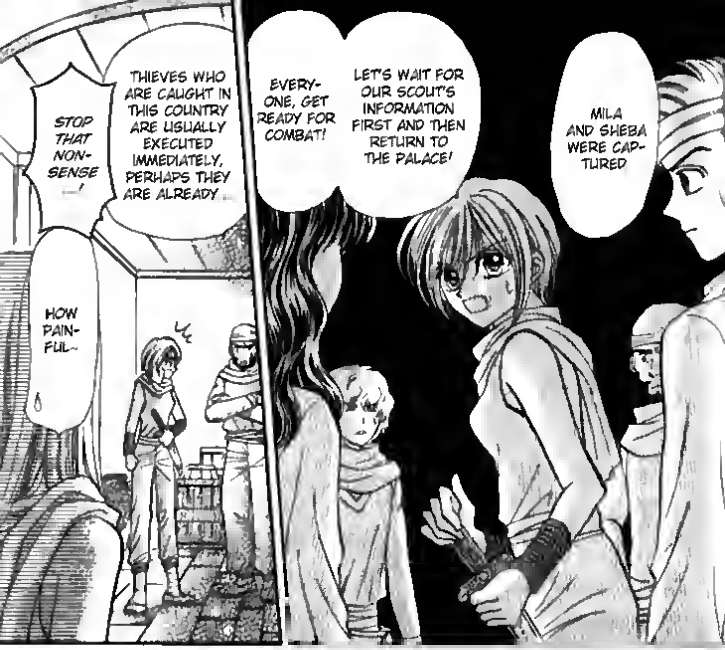
西特拉斯

西塔翻譯的話是「地毯」
（笑），是位於摩洛哥某個
山脈的名稱。
摩洛哥是我非～常想去的
國家之一。
西特爾德斯王的名字
好像也是西特拉斯。

＊這是連載結束後
放映「世界ふしぎ発見」
連帶看視聽的
才知道的。（笑）

Final
Chapter

IF...
WHAT IF HE COULD ALSO TRAVEL TO OTHER COUNTRIES TO GAIN KNOWLEDGE AND WISDOM?
IF ONLY THIS DREAM COULD COME TRUE... ONE DAY
FURTHERMORE, IF WE COULD GO TOGETHER...

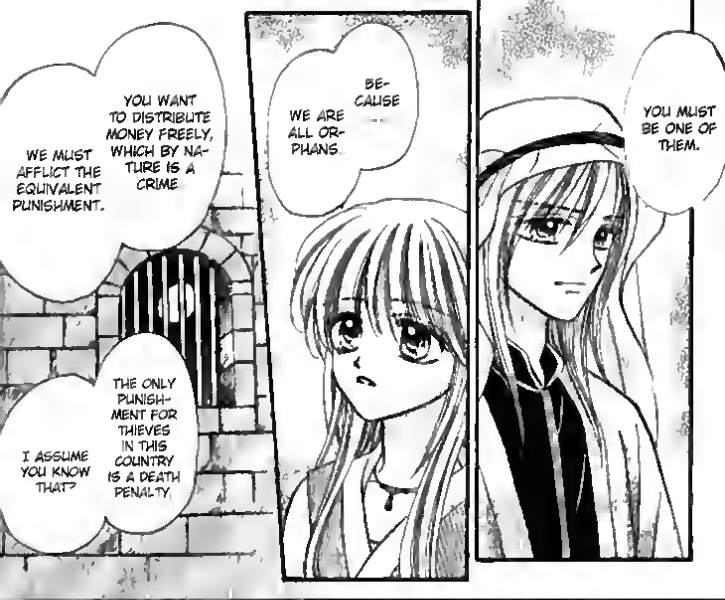

THIEVES WHO ARE CAUGHT IN THIS COUNTRY ARE USUALLY EXECUTED IMMEDIATELY, PERHAPS THEY ARE ALREADY...
STOP THAT NONSENSE!
HOW PAINFUL~
EVERYONE, GET READY FOR COMBAT!
LET'S WAIT FOR OUR SCOUT'S INFORMATION FIRST AND THEN RETURN TO THE PALACE!
MILA AND SHEBA WERE CAPTURED

MILA!
SORRY, I MESSED UP—
THIS IS GREAT! YOU DIDN'T GET CAUGHT.
KALIM, WHERE IS SHEBA?
I HEARD THE SOLDIERS SAYING THAT THEY CAUGHT A THIEF,
AND THAT THE THIEF WILL BE EXECUTED IN PUBLIC TO WARN THOSE WHO HAVE ESCAPED...
IT SEEMS LIKE THEY WANT TO USE SHEBA AS BAIT AND CAPTURE ALL OF US.
THEY DIDN'T KILL HER ON THE SPOT, BUT THIS IS ONLY TEMPORARY.
WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW? WE CAN'T FREE HER FROM PRISON BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SOLDIERS.

YUP
I THINK... THAT WON'T HAPPEN.
WHAT IF SHE GETS TORTURED OR VIOLATED, THEN WHAT?
HOW CAN ALL OF YOU BE SO RELAXED?
THAT'S RIGHT. WE WILL BLEND IN WITH THE CROWD AND HAVE AN EASIER TIME ESCAPING AS WELL.
ALL WE CAN DO NOW IS TO WAIT UNTIL HER EXECUTION DAY AND ATTACK FROM THERE
HOW CAN YOU BE SO SURE?
STOP RIGHT THERE! I WON'T ALLOW YOUR STUBBORNNESS!
FORGET IT! I WILL SAVE HER MYSELF!
YES.
ARE YOU OKAY, MILA?
...DARN!
IT'S ALL THANKS TO KALIM.

EVEN YOU WOULD KILL THE WOMAN YOU LOVE FOR THE ROYAL FAMILY?
CLUTCH

ARE YOU AWAKE?
I HAVE BROUGHT YOU FOOD.
A PRISON?
IS THIS...
...I DIDN'T DIE?
I ONCE HEARD STORIES ABOUT A GANG OF THIEVES CALLED "ROSES OF THE DESERT".
THEY WILL ONLY STEAL FROM THE WEALTHY OR THE CORRUPTED.
AND USE THAT MONEY TO DO CHARITY SUCH AS RAISING ORPHANS.
WHY...
You even saved me?


I ASSUME YOU KNOW THAT?
THE ONLY PUNISHMENT FOR THIEVES IN THIS COUNTRY IS A DEATH PENALTY
WE MUST AFFLICT THE EQUIVALENT PUNISHMENT.
YOU WANT TO DISTRIBUTE MONEY FREELY, WHICH BY NATURE IS A CRIME
WE ARE ALL ORPHANS
BECAUSE
YOU MUST BE ONE OF THEM.

I WAS PREPARED FOR THIS A LONG TIME AGO.
THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE WHO WANT THE KING'S LIFE AFTER ALL
EVEN THOUGH YOU DIDN'T STEAL ANYTHING, ONCE YOU ENTER THE PALACE WITHOUT PERMISSION, YOU ARE ALREADY CONSIDERED AS AN ASSASSIN

MAY I TALK TO YOU A LITTLE BIT MORE?
I ONCE IMAGINED MYSELF IN HIS POSITION,
AND WONDERED WHY THE KING WOULD OPEN HIS HEART TO YOU WHEN HE DOESN'T NORMALLY APPROACH OTHER PEOPLE
I THINK IT'S BECAUSE YOU SANG A SONG FROM THE NORTHERN COUNTRY ON YOUR FIRST PERFORMANCE.
HIS MOTHER USED TO SING A SONG WITH THE SAME MELODY.
IT'S BECAUSE SHE CAME FROM THE NORTH.

HE MIGHT CLOSE HIS HEART A-GAIN...
WHY MUST YOU USE SUCH METHOD...
PERHAPS HE SAW HIS MOTHER'S GRACE IN YOUR PERFORMANCE...
TO BETRAY HIM?
I FELT THAT I WAS ONLY HAVING A BRIEF, BUT HAPPY DREAM...
...I THOUGHT THAT THIS WOULD BE A BEAUTIFUL MEMORY.

IF I EMBRACE YOU, THEN THERE WON'T BE ANY MEMORIES...
AND NOW I'M SUFFERING THE CONSEQUENCES
SO PAINFUL IS MY HEART THAT HAS SHATTERED INTO PIECES
IF I HAD KNOWN THIS WOULD HAPPEN, WE SHOULDN'T HAVE DEVELOPED ANY RELATIONSHIP IN THE FIRST PLACE
IF WE DIDN'T MEET EACH OTHER...
HOW WONDERFUL WOULD IT BE, IF I COULD FORGET ALL OF THIS...
BUT...
I STILL WANT TO SEE HIM...
I THOUGHT THAT IF I SNEAKED INTO THE PALACE, I COULD SEE HIM OR HEAR HIS VOICE

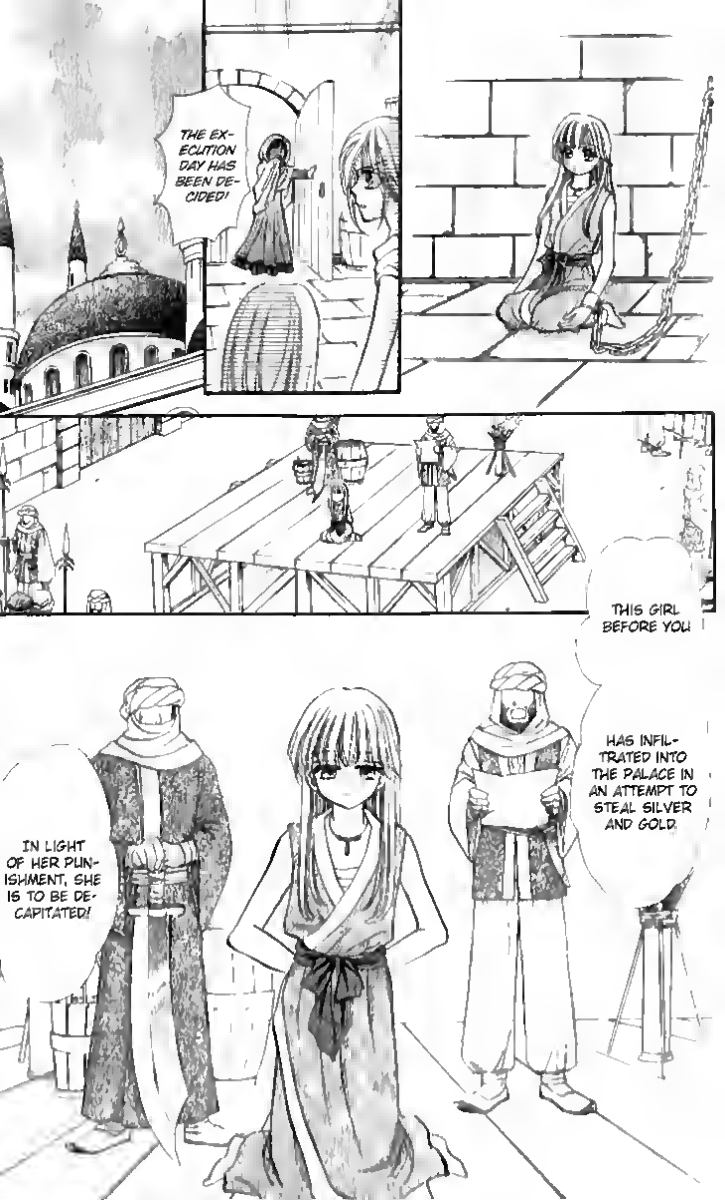
I AM REALLY ...
STUPID.
I AM A HOPE-LESS...
IDIOT-
IF I SENT PEOPLE TO FIND YOU EARLIER, THEN THE ENDING WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT.
BUT IT'S FUTILE TO SAY THOSE THINGS NOW.

HI!
DON'T YOU REALLY LOVE HER?
CAN YOU REALLY DO IT?
DO YOU SERIOUSLY WANT TO KILL SHEBA?

Transcendence
SHEBA TRULY LOVES YOU!
SHUT UP, THIEF!
IS IT BECAUSE YOU CAN'T TRULY LOVE AN ORDINARY GIRL?
DO YOU REALLY WANT THIS TO HAPPEN?
BESIDES SHE DOESN'T WANT TO BE A THIEF ANY MORE SHE WANTS TO GIVE EVERYTHING UP AND STAY HERE WITH YOU!
BUT...
SHUT UP!
BUT SHE WAS WORRIED THAT IT WOULD RUIN YOUR PUBLIC IMAGE
SO SHE GAVE UP HER ORIGINAL IDEA BECAUSE OF YOU!

SHUT UP...!
YOUR MAJ-ESTY! DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
THIEF?!
YOUR MAJ-ESTY!
STAY AWAY!

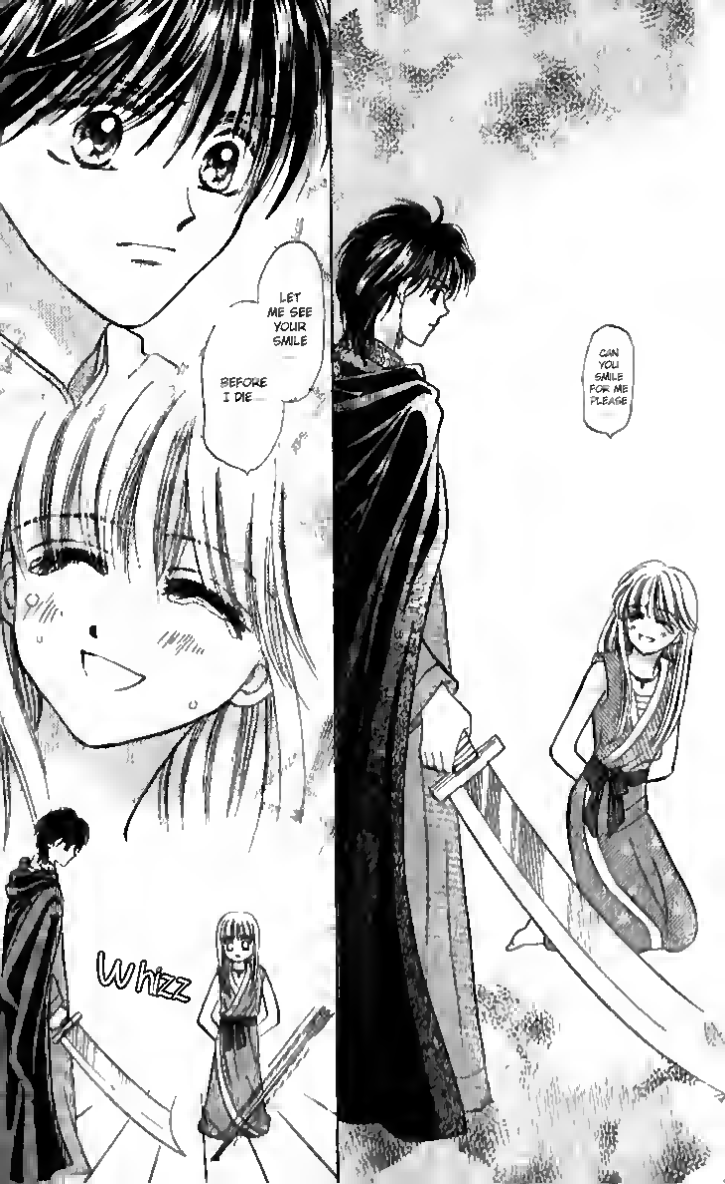
HE FELL INTO THE WATER!
HURRY AND CATCH HIM!
Splash~!
YOU ALLOWED THIEVES TO INTRUDE THE PALACE SEVERAL TIMES, WHAT'S THE USE OF KEEPING YOU HERE?!
YES!
YOUR LEVEL OF VIGILANCE IS TRULY EMBARRASSING!


THE EXECUTION DAY HAS BEEN DECIDED!
THIS GIRL BEFORE YOU
HAS INFILTRATED INTO THE PALACE IN AN ATTEMPT TO STEAL SILVER AND GOLD.
IN LIGHT OF HER PUNISHMENT, SHE IS TO BE DECAPITATED!

IT SEEMS THAT HE PERSONALLY WANTS TO WITNESS THE BEHEADING
CHATTER
IS THE KING SITTING OVER THERE?
CHATTER
HOW PITIFUL
CHATTER
HOW FRIGHTENING, SHE'S SO YOUNG
YOUR MAJESTY
WE JUST RECEIVED THE INFORMATION THAT THE WANTED DANCERS HAVE APPEARED OUTSIDE THE PALACE
APPOINT ALL THE SOLDIERS THERE
EH? ALL THE SOLDIERS?
HURRY UP AND DO IT!

WAIT!
YOU, STEP DOWN!
ALLOW ME.

...DO YOU HAVE ANY LAST WORDS?
Chatter
Chatter
EVEN THOUGH I HAVE BE-TRAYED YOU,
MY LOVE FOR YOU IS TRUE WITHOUT A DOUBT
THERE IS SO MUCH
THAT I WANT TO SAY
SMILE
IT IS CERTAINLY TRUE


LET ME SEE YOUR SMILE BEFORE I DIE
CAN YOU SMILE FOR ME PLEASE
Whizz

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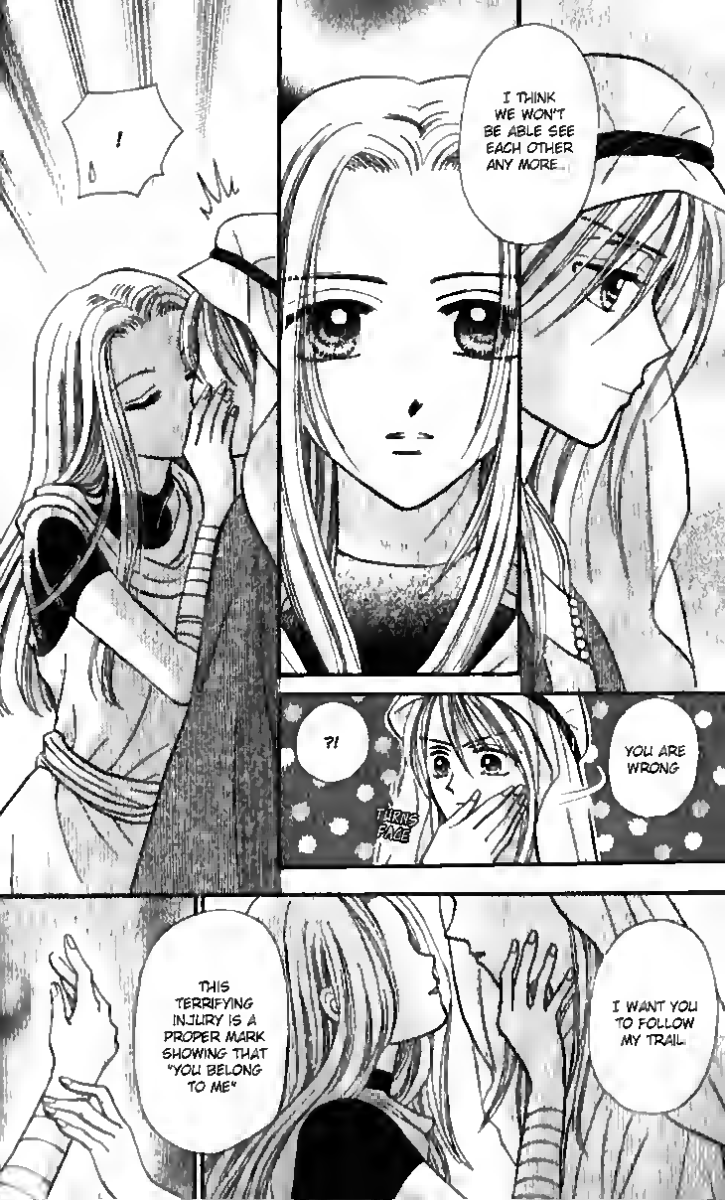
とん
?!
AN ARROW?!
WHERE DID IT COME FROM?
もん
Gladly
I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING!
もん
WHAT HAPPENED?
もん
Gladly
DAMN THOSE THIEVES!
ARE YOU OKAY, YOUR MAJESTY?
もん
もん
AREN'T OUR DISGUISES CONVINCING?
IT'S YOU!
AHHHH—SHEBA!

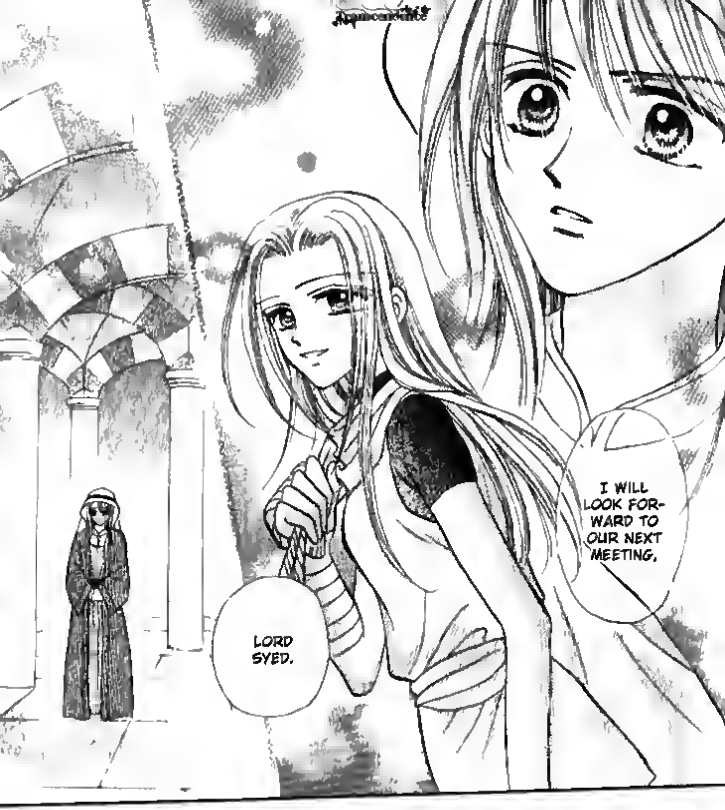
THEY ARE ALSO ABOVE US!
ABOVE US!
WAAA--!
Shoot!
Shoot!
SISTER
OKAY, SHEBA, CAN YOU RUN?
...UGH!

No...
Nooo!
IT WASN'T ME! I DIDN'T SHOOT THOSE ARROWS!
SIS-TER!
WE ARE QUITE BUSY!
Shoot!
AN ASSAS-SIN USING HIS OPPOR-TUNITY?

LET ME GO!
LET ME GO!
SHEBA, LET'S ESCAPE FIRST!
ALEXANDER!
NO! ALEXANDER!
WAAA~
WE SUCCESSFULLY SAVED SHEBA!
I HEARD THAT EVERYONE WAS OUTSIDE THE PALACE!
IT'S ALSO TIME FOR US TO GO,
LET'S LEAVE SEPARATELY.
WELL THEN, SEE YOU OUTSIDE
I KNEW YOU WOULD COME
WAA!

HOW CAN WE, OUR NATURE BEING THIEVES, NOT PAY ATTENTION TO THE TREASURES RIGHT IN FRONT OF OUR EYES?
EXCEPT THIS TIME, NOT MANY OF US CAME, SO WE TOOK A LITTLE LESS.
THE FACT THAT YOU ARE HERE INDICATES THE DISTURBANCE AT THE EXECUTION GROUND WAS STOPPED FOR NOW,
I FEEL RELIEVED AS WELL
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO NOT GO THERE?
OR DO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE LAST TIME'S MATCH?
PULLS OUT
NO,
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE THAT I AM ON VACATION.
BECAUSE SOME THIEF INJURED ME AND CAUSED MY WOUNDS TO BE INFECTED, WHICH WAS WORSE THAN I ACTUALLY THOUGHT, AND NOW MY ARM CAN'T EVEN MOVE.
...
HOW DISAPPOINTING.
YOU CAN GO, I WON'T CHASE YOU


!
I THINK WE WON'T BE ABLE SEE EACH OTHER ANY MORE...
?!
YOU ARE WRONG
TURNS FACE
THIS TERRIFYING INJURY IS A PROPER MARK SHOWING THAT "YOU BELONG TO ME"
I WANT YOU TO FOLLOW MY TRAIL


I WILL LOOK FORWARD TO OUR NEXT MEETING.
LORD SYED.

LET ME GO!
I BEG OF YOU!
PLEASE CALM DOWN!
EVEN IF YOU WERE TO GO TO THE PALACE, IT'S ALREADY-
I
ALREADY
WHAT...?

SHEBA!
COLLAPSES
WHAT? DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
AN ASSASSIN FOUND HIS WAY INTO THE EXECUTION GROUND
AND SHOT THE KING SEVERAL TIMES
APPARENTLY, IT WAS ALL PLANNED ON THIS DAY SO THAT HE COULD PLACE ALL THE BLAME ON US THIEVES
LET HER GO, SISTER SONIA
DIDN'T HE... PLAN TO KILL SHEBA FROM THE START.
HE... TOLD ME THAT THERE IS A SECRET CHANNEL RIGHT BELOW THE EXECUTION GROUND
"THE UNDERGROUND ENTRANCE IS LOCATED NEAR THE WESTERN WALL."
"WHEN I TOLD THE EXECUTIONER TO STEP DOWN, YOU SHOULD COME OUT IMMEDIATELY."

I'M SORRY
SISTER.
I STILL HAVE TO GO.
SEEMS LIKE THERE ISN'T A WAY TO STOP HER
BUT YOU MUST RETURN TO US
WHATEVER YOU DO, BE SURE TO NOT DO ANY-THING FOOLISH

BECAUSE THIS IS THE ONLY PLACE YOU CAN RETURN TO
Stop!

WHY
SNIFF!
WHY DID YOU HAVE TO DIE
IN MY PLACE...?

ALEXANDER, OPEN YOUR EYES!
I BEG OF YOU, OPEN YOUR EYES.
OH BELOVED LORD... I BEG OF YOU...
EXCHANGE MY LIFE FOR HIS LIFE.
DON'T RANDOMLY LABEL ME DEAD!
THESE ARE BUT MERE SCRATCHES,
EVEN THOUGH THEY HURT A LITTLE

THIS
THIS IS GREAT
THANK GOOD-NESS
YOU'RE STILL ALIVE
IDIOT,
WHY DID YOU RETURN?
YOU ARE STILL ALIVE
IT'S THE GREATEST BLESSING...

I HAVE NO OTHER WISHES BUT THIS
AS LONG AS YOU ARE LIVING HAPPILY SOMEWHERE IN THIS WORLD...
I WOULD BE GREATLY DELIGHTED.
I REALLY WANT TO SEE THE WORLD WITH YOU ..

EVEN THOUGH I CANNOT BE WITH YOU,
AND CANNOT ACCOMPANY YOU,
BUT,
MY HEART WILL ALWAYS FOLLOW YOU!
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE YOU MAY BE, I WILL ALWAYS PRAY FOR YOUR HAPPINESS.

KNOWING THAT
YOU ARE LIVING
SOMEWHERE IN
THIS WORLD,
REMEMBERING
ME CONSTANTLY,
Is she visiting him?
She's gazing out on the moon again.

Appearance
As long as we share the same feelings for each other,
Newly married
My heart will go on—
She is my auntie

THROUGH THE DESERTS,
THROUGH THE SEAS,
THROUGH ENDLESS, SLEEPLESS NIGHTS.

AND EVE-
RY TIME I
LOOK UP TO
THE MOON,
I'LL
BE RE-
MINDED
OF YOUR
FACE—

IF SUCH A VIRTUOUS KING HAD A CHILD, THEN THAT CHILD
MUST'VE BECOME A MORE VIRTUOUS KING, RIGHT?
THAT'S RIGHT.
Hehehehe
WAIT WAIT, IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE KING NEGLECTED HIS SLEEP TO SEARCH FOR HIS DANCER LOVER?
YOU GIRLS ARE SO ROMANTIC
BECAUSE SHE IS AMAZING
FAIRYTALES ONLY EXIST IN BOOKS.

EH— HOW BORING!
LET'S GO EAT.
OKAY, STORY TIME IS OVER.
Immediately closes it!
HEY, ISN'T THAT YOUR FATHER'S TREASURE BOX?
IF YOU THROW IT AROUND CARELESSLY, HE WILL SCOLD YOU!
DON'T TELL MY FATHER, THE KING!
DEFINITELY DON'T TELL HIM!

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Megami-sama
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Looking back at this one-shot, I am surprised with the art (even though this is not an old project). This was my first project after I had a long break. Even though I was nervous, I was really happy about the story. The style of the story is based on the Western way as it focuses on the story instead of the characters. My one-shots usually focus on the story itself. I do not like having page limits for one-shots since the more pages I have, the easier it is to create a story!

WHO IS THE PERSON IN THE BACKGROUND PICTURE?
MY GIRLFRIEND!
Why do I always
fall for guys who already have girlfriends?!
ISN'T SHE CUTE?

Wel-come!
SUN
YOU HAVE A PRETTY SMILE TODAY NANA!
I CAN'T BELIEVE I SHOWED YOU MY PRETTY SMILE SHOU-TAROU-SENPAI
HOW sad
IS THAT HOW YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO TALK TO YOUR SENPAI?

Shouta-rou-senpai is a college student who works at the same place as me.
THERE SHE GOES AGAIN
HA HA HA
SORRY MANAGER!
SHOUTAROU, YOU'RE LATE
NANA, YOU HAVE ALREADY WORKED HERE FOR A MONTH, RIGHT?
ARE YOU USED TO WORK-ING HERE?
JUST THE OPPOSITE. WE WERE ARGUING AND SHE SAID SHE WANTED TO BREAK UP
WERE YOU ON A DATE WITH YOUR GIRLFRIEND?
I can say that I fell in love with him at first sight
HM, ARE YOU THAT GOOD?
OF COURSE! MY RESTOCKING SPEED IS BETTER THAN YOURS!

AS PUNISHMENT, YOU HAVE TO TREAT ME FROM THE RED BEAN BUNS TO THE PINEAPPLE BUNS
YOU ARE SUCH A CHILD, SHOUTAROU-SENPAI
I LOSE
SO FAST
STRAIGHT
HO HO HO
WAIT ANOTHER TEN YEARS TO BEAT ME!
He's good-looking and looks after me a lot.
I'm always happy when I'm with him,
and I really like him.

RING RING RING
HM?
It would be nice if
...I could be Shoutarou-senpai's girlfriend.
WHEN I FOUND OUT THAT HE'S HAD A GIRLFRIEND FOR A YEAR I ALMOST DIED FROM GRIEF
How could any woman resist him?
He's cuddles and always over-flows his girl's affection!
Can't he consider my feelings?
Beep!
CRAP I FORGOT TO SILENCE IT
The one you always wear...
WHERE'S YOUR COUPLES RING, SHOUTAROU-SENPAI?
WHERE'S THE PICTURE OF YOUR GIRLFRIEND?
HEY!
YOU CHANGED YOUR CELL PHONE BACK-GROUND PICTURE!

WELL, THAT'S BECAUSE...
WE JUST
BROKE UP.
!!!

THIS IS THE CHANCE GOD HAS GIVEN ME!
Is it true?!
OH YOU MEAN THAT COLLEGE STUDENT YOU WORK WITH?
HE JUST BROKE UP WITH HIS GIRL-FRIEND?
NANA, YOU ARE QUITE AMAZING YOU ALWAYS FALL FOR GUYS WHO HAVE GIRLFRIENDS
BUT WHEN YOU FALL IN LOVE IT IS HARD TO STOP
OF COURSE GIRLS SHOULDN'T LET GO OF GOOD-LOOKING GUYS!
BE BALLSY!
WHAT?
YOU HAVE TO GRAB ONTO THE REINS OF THE GODDESS OF LUCK WHILE SHE'S FACING FORWARD!

E/N: Someone's a bit of a perv...
QC/N: Eh, you pedophile.

Shoutarou-senpai

acts like he's fine,

but he's really sad

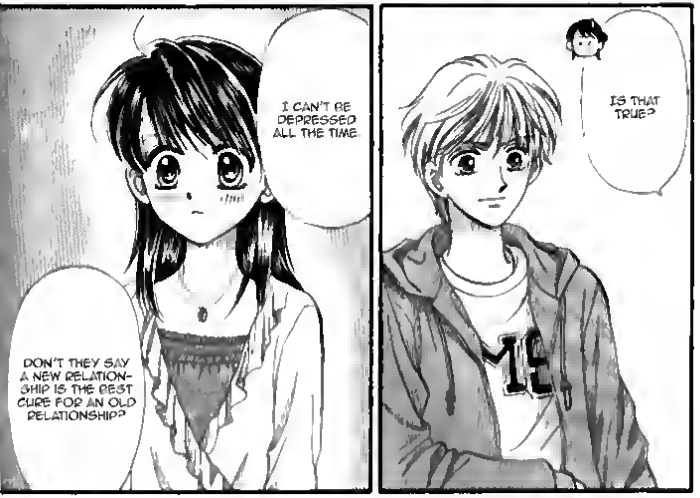
I can't believe they actually broke up.
THIS RING
I'M ACTUALLY EMBARRASSED TO WEAR IT
He treasures his girlfriend, though.
WELL, UMM!
WHATEVER! THERE'S NO POINT THINKING ABOUT IT!
I DON'T THINK HE'LL FORGET HER THAT EASILY
I want to ask, but I don't dare...
WHY DID THEY BREAK UP?

IF YOU'RE FREE TOMORROW, DO YOU WANT TO HANG OUT WITH ME?
SURE!
SOUNDS GREAT!
Why don't I...
CAN YOU GO OUT WITH ME?
SURE!
SOUNDS GREAT!

BYE!
NO, EVEN THOUGH HE GETS HYPER EASILY SOMETHING LIKE THIS SHOULD
IT SHOULD WORK OUT RIGHT?
I'M GOING TO GET AS HYPER AS POSSIBLE!
ALL RIGHT! TODAY, WE'LL PLAY ALL WE CAN!
HA HA HA
OK!

NANA!
THANKS FOR BEING HYPER WITH ME!
I NEVER SING KTV WITH GIRLS, YOU KNOW.
HAHA! IT IS FUN THOUGH!
...
BUT IT'S NICE TO SEE SHOUTAROU-SENPAI BEING ENERGETIC AGAIN!

I HAD A GREAT TIME TODAY, TOO
OF COURSE NOT
BESIDES, I HOPE TO DATE A NEW GIRLFRIEND SOON
DON T WORRY I'M A VERY OPTI-MISTIC PERSON
YOU ASKED ME TO HANG OUT BECAUSE YOU RE WORRIED THAT I'M SAD, RIGHT?
NANA, YOU'RE SO CARING
HUH?


I CAN'T BE DEPRESSED ALL THE TIME
DON'T THEY SAY A NEW RELATION-SHIP IS THE BEST CURE FOR AN OLD RELATIONSHIP?
IS THAT TRUE?

IS THERE ANYONE YOU LIKE?
TH-THUMP!
!
REALLY?
HAVE YOU CONFESSED YET?
YEAH!
This question...!

I DON'T HAVE THE CONFI-DENCE
I DON'T HAVE ANY GOOD QUALITIES.
AND I'M NOT PRETTY EITHER.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT PURITY IS HIGHLY VIEWED IN A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT!
ARE YOU SOME KIND OF PERVERT?
E/N You just now realized this Nana??
SO THEN... COLLEGE STUDENTS THINK OF HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS AS TARGETS?
OF COURSE!
AND LAUGH MORE TOO!
Laugh more?
NANA, HAVE MORE CONFIDENCE IN YOURSELF

TH-THUMP!
WHOEVER REJECTS YOU IS THE WORLD'S NUMBER ONE IDIOT
Is he telling me to confess?
Telling me to hurry and confess!
Do I have to say it in a situation like this?
SHOU-TAROU-SENPAI!
UM...
I...

NEVER
?
NEVER MIND...

I hate myself for being like this...
DEPRESSED...
But confessing to someone who recently became single...
It feels wrong to take advantage of that
I'll confess to him the next time I have a chance!
HEY, NANA, LISTEN!
SOMEONE CONFESSED TO ME YESTERDAY

IT'S A GIRL WITH THE SAME MAJOR AS ME
AFTER YOU LEFT YESTERDAY, WE BUMPED INTO EACH OTHER
WHAT?!
BUT DIDN'T SHOUTAROU-SENPAI JUST BECOME SINGLE?
HOW COULD THIS BE?
BUT WE DON'T TALK MUCH
SO WE'RE STARTING OUT AS FRIENDS
ARE YOU GUYS GOING TO DATE?!
...!

CONFESSING REQUIRES A LOT OF COURAGE.
SO WOULDN'T IT BE BETTER TO CHERISH THESE FEELINGS?
EVEN IF YOU DON'T LIKE HER, YOU CAN STILL DATE HER TO SEE HOW IT TURNS OUT
THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING
How can this be...?
How can this be...?

Why did it turn out like this?
GOOD WORK TODAY.
NANA, WAIT UP!
I'LL WALK WITH YOU SINCE IT'S BEEN DANGEROUS LATELY
.....

I am such an idiot...
Why
...didn't I confess to him then?
I thought that since he just became single,
I didn't want others to say I confessed to him when he was depressed.

It doesn't matter if it's mean, you should take immediate action to win them!
It's all right to confess when that person is depressed!
Now I completely understand!
NINA!
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO WAIT FOR ME?
ARE YOU OK? YOU DON'T SEEM OK. DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
DO YOU WANT TO WALK AROUND?
TA-DA
Want one?
HOW ABOUT WE GO CELEBRATE MY FINDING SOMEONE TO DATE

YOU CAN'T BE LIKE THAT, SHOUTAROU-SENPAI.
IT'S NOT NICE TO TREAT OTHER GIRLS WHEN YOU HAVE A GIRLFRIEND.
THE BUS STOP IS IN FRONT, SO I'M FINE
UM
SEE YOU TOMORROW!

I will wait for you ~~
No matter how long, I will wait for you
until the day she breaks up with you.
I will wait for you ~~
DON'T YOU KNOW? IT'S THE STORY OF HOW THE GODDESS OF LUCK ONLY GROWS BANGS.
WHAT BANGS?
DON'T SING THE SAME SONG THREE TIMES IN A ROW!
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO GRAB ONTO THE BANGS?
IF THE GODDESS IS FACING AWAY FROM YOU, THERE'S NOTHING TO GRAB ONTO, LIKE YOU'VE MISSED YOUR CHANCE
IT'S SAID THAT THE GODDESS IS BALD ON THE BACK OF HER HEAD

SO, IN ORDER TO CAPTURE THE GODDESS, YOU HAVE TO GRAB HER BANGS WHEN SHE'S FACING TOWARDS YOU
I'VE NEVER HEARD THIS STORY
My Goddess of Luck...

DIDN'T I TELL YOU NOT TO VISIT ME AT WORK?
BUT I'M JUST WAITING FOR YOU. SHOULDN'T IT BE FINE?
...has already turned around and left...
I SHOULD JUST QUIT THIS JOB
That's his girlfriend I suppose
SLIP
Hey!

Manager is outside.
Shoutarou-senpai is...
What now?
They are...
...stealing!
What should I do?
HOLD UP!

YOU GUYS TOOK MERCHANDISE WITHOUT PAYING
MAY I SEE YOUR BAGS?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
YOU ACCUSING US OF STEALING?
Wha
?!
WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO IF WE DON'T?
I shouldn't be a bother
and ask Shoutarou-senpai to deal with this.
Knife?!
SLAP!

OUCH!
IF YOU WANT HER, WHY DON'T YOU FIND SOME-ONE ELSE?
THIS GIRL IS UNAVAILABLE
BAS-TARD!
SFX: HIT!!!
SHOUTAROU-SENPAI!!

I WON'T LOSE TO HIM THOUGH!
IT'S A GOOD THING YOU TWO WEREN'T HURT
SHOUTAROU CAN YOU PLEASE NOT BE SO RECKLESS NEXT TIME?
LISTEN UP, NANA.
WHEN YOU HAVE A SITUATION LIKE THIS, TELL SHOUTAROU OR ME. DON'T BE RECKLESS AGAIN!
A LITTLE MISTAKE COULD TURN INTO A BIG MISTAKE!
Girls usually can't handle these situations.
OPEN
I UNDERSTAND...
MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE GETTING SCARY THESE DAYS.
THEY SAY THEY'LL REFLECT ON THEIR ACTIONS, BUT YOU DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE BEING TRUTHFUL OR NOT.

HEY!
SHOUTAROU COULD HAVE GOTTEN HURT BECAUSE OF YOU!
HEY, HOLD ON
GO OUTSIDE
Depressed
DON'T TALK, GO!
PAT PAT
SHOU-TAROU!
KA-CHAK

YOU MUST HAVE BEEN SCARED
CONFRONTING THEM TOOK A LOT OF COURAGE, RIGHT?
Pat Pat
YOU DID WELL, NANA!
YOU WERE GREAT!
THIS IS YOUR REWARD!
TA-DA!

DON'T CRY
DON'T CRY
I'M GLAD SHOUTAROU-SENPAI WASN'T HURT.
Muss Muss
Goddess, please.

Even just once, please appear again.
I will surely grab it this time.

NANA, LISTEN
Hey, hey
This time, I'll gather up all my courage.
I HEARD SHOUTAROU BROKE UP WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND.
MANAGER, WHAT ARE YOU SO HAPPY ABOUT?

I DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT
THE GIRL IS CUTE, BUT SHE IS A LITTLE SELFISH
It's here!
SHOUTAROU CAN'T STAND GIRLS WHO OFTEN COME TO HIS WORKPLACE
My chance is here!
FIRED UP
I have to ask him first, and then I can tell him!
SHOCK!
O-OK!
SHOUTAROU-SENPAI, I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU AFTER WORK!
RAWR!
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SUN
DO YOU WANT TO WAIT A FEW MORE DAYS?
I don't want to regret it again!
SINCE THEY JUST BROKE UP A WHILE AGO?
I HEARD A GIRL FROM THE DEBATE CLUB WILL CONFESS TO HIM TOMORROW!
I CAN'T! IT HAS TO BE TODAY!
No!
RELAX SHOUTAPOU SAID HE'LL NEVER REJECT ANYBODY
SO FIRST COME FIRST SERVE!
This is really bad!

Shoutarou-senpai is good-looking and really gentle.
I also know he's really popular with the girls...
It really is first come, first serve!
N-NO
CAN I HELP YOU?
EXCUSE ME
Goddess, please!
Please!
NANA, CAN YOU RUN AN ERRAND FOR ME?

A GIRL ASKED HIM TO GO OUTSIDE
!!!
EH? WHERE'S SHOUTAROU-SENPAI?
GOOD WORK YOU CAN LEAVE NOW
I'M BACK!
Don't turn around again!
HEY! ISN'T THAT SHOUTAROU?
DASH!
EH?
HE WANTED ME TO TELL YOU TO WAIT FOR HIM

THUNK
!!!
FOUND HIM!
UM. NAH. I STILL HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE STORE.
WE'RE GOING OUT TO EAT. WANT TO JOIN US?
No!
I TWISTED MY ANKLE?!
THROB
No!
I can't make it!

No
!
HOLD UP!!!
?!
NANA?

NO!
SHOUTAROU-SENPAI...
...IS ALREADY TAKEN!!!

WHISPER
WHISPER
....
NANA!
CAN YOU PLEASE BREAK UP WITH HER?
These words...
but I gathered up my courage to say them.
It's embarrassing,

SHOCK
YEAH, SHE CONFESSED TO ME
I WAS CONVINCED SHE WAS GOING TO CONFESS
SINCE I HEARD ANOTHER GIRL ASKED TO TALK WITH YOU OUTSIDE
Or else, I would miss my chance.
Faint
I didn't get to grab onto her bangs.
Too late, the Goddess turned around again.
BUT I REJECTED HER.
WH-WHY? SHOUTA-ROU-SENPAI NEVER REJECTS ANYONE, RIGHT?
THAT'S TRUE

The Goddess in front me...
has grown a tail
WHEN I THOUGHT OF THAT, I DIDN'T LIKE IT...
THEN I COULDN'T HANG OUT WITH YOU AGAIN
IF I GOT A GIRL-FRIEND,
BUT,
BLUSH
EH?!
WANT IT?
Tada

I didn't grab the Goddess's bangs,
but I did grab the Goddess's tail.

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After 205 cups of coffee, 28 bathroom breaks and a few staff casualties
WE FINISHED! BUT, WE STILL DON'T HAVE ENOUGH STAFF. SO, IF YOU WANT TO READ ON
TRANSLATED! PROOFREAD! CLEANED! TYPESETTED! QUALITY CHECKED! I WORKED ENDLESS LATE NIGHTS FOR EACH CHAPTER! FOUGHT GUTTER SHADOWS AND TRANSITIVE VERBS! BUT, NO ONE HELPED ME! ALL THEY DID WAS COMPLAIN FOR MORE RELEASES!!!
Peacemaker Admin Xye
Zzzzz...
When deadlines on chp mat b/c no staff
Me
Admin Xye
Staff
Killing any remaining brain cells.

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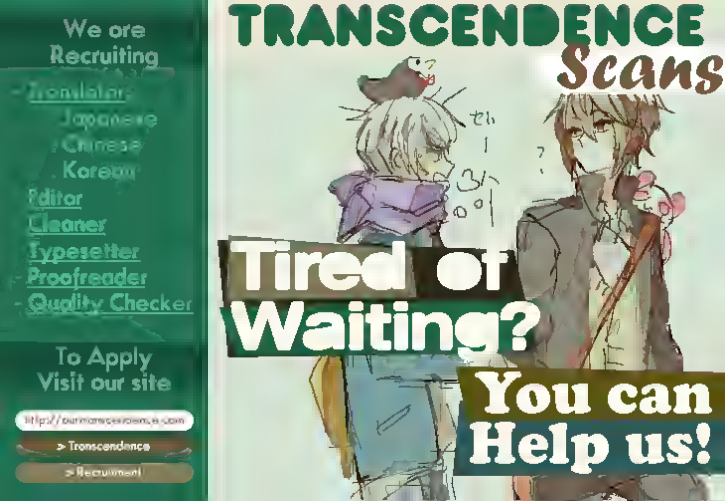
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